

REMARKS

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-9, 12 and 13 are is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Claims 10 and 11 are allowed. Claims 1-9, 12 and 13 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as set forth in the outstanding Office Action.

Drawings

Applicant has amended Fig. 18, as illustrated on the attached formal drawing, accompanied by a Letter to the Official Draftsperson. Fig. 18 was amended to add reference numerals "49" for the air bag (rubber membrane bag) and "49a" for the at least one connector. No new matter has been added to the original disclosure by the amendments to this figure. It is believed that the foregoing proposed amendments obviate the outstanding objections to the drawings. Entry of the corrected drawing is respectfully requested.

Amendments to Specification

Applicant has amended the specification as noted above to cure obvious grammatical and idiomatic in accuracies and to provide antecedent basis for reference numeral "40". It is believed that the foregoing amendments to the specification overcome the outstanding objections thereto. No "new matter" has been added to the original disclosure by the foregoing amendments to the specification.

Claim Amendments

By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 12 and 13 to obviate the outstanding rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112. It is believed that the amended claims specifically set forth each element of Applicant's invention in full compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112.

Claims 10 and 11 are allowed.

Since claims 1-9, 12 and 13 have been indicated as being allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, no detailed discussion of the cited prior art references is believed to be necessary.

Summary

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant submits that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. Should any points remain in issue, which the Examiner feels could best be resolved by either a personal or a telephone interview, it is urged that Applicant's local attorney be contacted at the exchange listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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